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## TO: Department of Health and Human Services

Please shrink - don't expand - the existing "religious refusal exemption". As a human being, a woman, a wife and a mother, I strongly believe that every person has the right to control what happens to her (or his) own body. This is a very basic human right and those denied it are called slaves.

I do not believe a fertilized egg has rights. A human being can chose whether to remove part of her body, whether fat, kidney or fertilized egg. Before safe, effective, affordable contraception arrived, women died trying to avoid having kids they couldn't take care of. It would be immoral to return to this horror.

Denying care such as contraception imposes the religious views of a few (loud) Americans on the bodies of others and violates our basic humanity. Please shrink - don't expand - the existing "religious refusal exemption".

Sincerely, Morita Bruce